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SUBJECT: SPD MEMBER VISITS POLAND

1. TRYBUNA LUDU AND ZYCIE WARSZAWY ON AUGUST 27 SUMMARIZED THE AUGUST 19-25 VISIT TO POLAND OF HANS JUERGEN WISCHNEWSKI, A MEMBER OF THE SPD FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION AND OF THE BUNDESTAG FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK RECEIVED WISCHNEWSKI ON AUGUST 21, ACCORDING TO THE PRESS. WISCHNEWSKI ALSO REPORTEDLY MET WITH RYSZARD FRELEK, CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARIAT MEMBER AND VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE SEJM COMMISSION ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND WITH VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS JOZEJ CZYREK (WEST EUROPEAN AFFAIRS) AND JAN BYSZTYGA, (STUDIES AND PROGRAMMING, INFORMATION AND CULTURAL AS WELL AS WITH PLANNING COMMISSION DEPUTY CHAIRMAN HENRYK KIESIEL. ADDITIONALLY, WISCHNEWSKI PRESENTED A TALK AT THE POLISH INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ON THE THEME OF CURRENT PROBLEMS IN NORMALIZATION OF FRG-POLISH RELATION. HE ALSO VISITED THE TWO PROVINCES OF NORTHEASTERN POLAND WHICH WERE FORMERLY IN EAST PRUSSIA.

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2. WISCHNEWSKI WAS DESCRIBED IN PRESS ACCOUNTS AS ONE WHO ACTIVELY SUPPORTED THE POLICY OF NORMALIZATION OF

FRG RELATION WITH THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AND WHO WORKED ON BEHALF OF RATIFICATION OF BONN'S TREATIES WITH MOSCOW AND WARSAW.

3. GIEREK'S RECEPTION OF WISCHNEWSKI WAS UNUSUAL IN THAT IT WAS NOT WARRANTED BY THE LATTER'S RANK AND POSITION. HOWEVER, AND FRG EMBASSY SOURCE NOTED THAT WISCHNEWSKI, AN ETHNIC POLE, IS WELL REGARDED IN POLAND. HIS FATHER WAS REPORTEDLY ACTIVE IN THE RESISTANCE DURING WORLD WAR Q, AND WISHNEWSKI HIMSELF WAS ACTIVELY PROMOTED BONN'S RELATION WITH THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, BOTH WITHIN THE SPD AND AS A MEMBER OF THE BUNDESTAG FOREING AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

4. THE EMBASSY OFFICIAL CHARACTERIZED THE TALKS AS SIMPLY AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS RATHER THAN A PRODUCTIVE DISCUSSION OF ISSUES. HE INDICATED THAT THE POLES PRESSED WISCHNEWSKI, WITHOUT RESULT, ON ACCELTERATION OF THE CSCE TIMETABLE AND ON INDEMNIFICATION FOR WAR CLAIMS. THE OFFICIAL ALSO OBSERVED THAT WISCHNEWSKI'S VISIT COULD BE REGARDED IN EFFECT AS A PRELIMINARY TO FOREING MINISTER SCHEEL'S VISIT TO WARSAW THIS OCTOBER.
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